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Tim,  
Can you replace the attached as your latest version? I made a few minor edits (updated date, typo, and a couple other minor edits). Thanks!

Sally

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Kristin,  
Here's the latest list of planning priorities for national monuments regarding EO 13792.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sally

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Hi can one of you send the most updated priority list to Kristin  
Thanks

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**From:** "Bail, Kristin" <[kbail@blm.gov](mailto:kbail@blm.gov)>  
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Chris could you forward me the attachment? Steve is out on leave and WO 210 does not have a copy either. Thanks! K

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From: **Tryon, Steve** <[stryon@blm.gov](mailto:stryon@blm.gov)>  
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Thanks, Nikki. Thanks for coordinating on this exercise as we figure out how to fund bureau priorities.  
I am bringing in Kristin and WO 210, for awareness and potential follow-up next week. [I'll be on A/L.]

If I am reading the first document correctly, the highest priority plans are numbers 1 to 6?

For my own knowledge, how often has 171X been used to prepare monument management plans? As I've discussed with you, subactivity 1610 is also being pushed to speed up "energy plans" by adding funding to their contracts. Unless we get a final appropriation that is close to the House mark, we may not be able to beef up energy plans and MMPs for items 1-6 at the same time.

Is there any room in the 171X budget to help these priority plans?

Thanks!

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On Fri, Dec 15, 2017 at 2:35 PM, Haskett, Nikki <[nhaskett@blm.gov](mailto:nhaskett@blm.gov)> wrote:

Cally, Chris, Steve,  
Attached is the draft NM Priority List that we developed for your review. Steve and I spoke and it sounds like there may be funding to allocate from 1610 for the highest priorities. We are also taking a hard look at our 400 funds and will let you know what's available. Sally and Tim are coordinating this list with the 3356 action plan since this one is responsive to all orders, proclamations, and other recent actions.

The table in the write up has more detailed information regarding the "concerns" from the final report that needs to be addressed. I also created a one page summary priority table for a quick look (pdf attached).

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## **BLM National Monuments - Priority Plans**

12/21/2017

**The following outlines the BLMs priority approach to address any planning required in response to Presidential actions resulting from the Secretary's December 5th, 2017 *Revised Final Report Summarizing Findings of the Review of Designations Under the Antiquities Act* (Final Report).**

### **Introduction**

The BLM manages 27 National Monuments. Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains and Prehistoric Trackways are designated by Congress and the other 25 are designated by Presidential Proclamation through the Antiquities Act. Fourteen National Monuments have existing Resource Management Plans (RMPs), four require RMP updates to address monument management, and nine monuments are currently in some phase of a planning amendment process.

### **Executive Order 13792**

Executive Order 13792, "Presidential Executive Order on the Review of Designations Under the Antiquities Act," dated April 26, 2017, (Order or E.O. 13792) directed the Secretary to conduct a review of certain Presidential designations made under the Act, to determine if the designations conformed to the policies set forth in the Order. The Order instructed that two reports summarizing the review be provided:

- a. an Interim Report within 45 days, addressing the Bears Ears National Monument established by Proclamation No. 9558, dated December 28, 2016, and "other such designations as the Secretary determines to be appropriate for inclusion"; and
- b. a Final Report within 120 days, summarizing the findings of the review for all other monument designations covered by the Order.

The Interim Report was issued on June 10, 2017.

### **Presidential Proclamations Modifying the Grand Staircase-Escalante and Bears Ears National Monuments**

On December 4th the President issued the Presidential Proclamation Modifying the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument and the Presidential Proclamation Modifying the Bears Ears National Monument.

- o The Proclamation Modifying the Grand Staircase-Escalante National modified the boundaries of the 1.7 million acres of Federal lands to 3 units: the Grand Staircase, Kaiparowits, and Escalante Canyons units of the monument (1,003,863 acres).
- o The Proclamation Modifying the Bears Ears National Monument modified the boundaries of the 1.35 million acres of Federal lands to 2 units: the Shash Jáa area and the Indian Creek area; and excluded from its designation and reservation approximately 1,150,860 acres.

**Secretary's December 5th, 2017 Final Report**

On December 5th, in accordance with the Order, Secretary Zinke released the Final Report with results and recommendations for several monuments. The Final Report included:

- A concern for “landscape level designations” on BLM-managed lands becoming overlain by a more restrictive management regime, which “has the effect of narrowing the range of uses and limiting BLM's multiple-use mission.” Absent specific assurances, traditional uses of the land (grazing, timber production, mining, fishing, hunting, recreation, and other cultural uses) “are unnecessarily restricted and especially harm rural communities in western states given that these towns have historically benefited and been economically sustained by grazing, mining, and timber production on nearby public lands, narrowing the range of uses and limiting BLM's multiple-use mission.”
- A statement that DOI has plans to undertake a review of existing monument management plans and update them to be consistent with public access, infrastructure, traditional use, tribal cultural use, and hunting and fishing rights.
- Recommendations to modify the boundaries and/or management plans for Cascade-Siskiyou, Gold Butte (GBNM), Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks (OMDPNM) and Rio Grande del Norte (RDGNNM) National Monuments, in addition to the Bears Ears (BENM) and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monuments.
- Recommendations for congressional action to establish tribal co-management for designated cultural areas within BENM, GBNM, OMDPNM, and RGDNNM.

**Secretarial Order 3356**

On September 15, 2017, Secretarial Order 3356 was issued which directs the BLM to “amend National Monument Management Plans to include or expand hunting, recreational shooting, and fishing opportunities to the extent practicable under the law.” The BLM is developing an action plan to identify recommendations to amend or develop National Monument Management Plans to expand opportunities; and to identify potential actions that would further enhance hunting, fishing, and recreational shooting opportunities within National Monuments.

The action plan established priorities to implement Secretarial Order 3356 Section 4b(1) of by identifying (1) National Monument Management Plans that could be developed or amended to include or expand opportunities; and (2) potential actions that would further enhance hunting, fishing, and recreational shooting opportunities within National Monuments. For the S.O. 3356 action plan, high priority was given to National Monuments with current planning efforts underway and those with a planning-related restriction recommended for assessment. Medium priority was given to National Monuments currently with no plans in place or needs a plan amendment. Low priority was given to implementation actions

which expand hunting, recreational shooting, and fishing; to those with restrictions with no recommendation for assessment; and those with restrictions regulated and enacted by the States.

**Priority List for Executive Order 13792 and Secretarial Order 3356**

In order to best respond to the recent Proclamations, recommendations from the Final Report, as well as expand recreational access, planning needs for national monuments were put in priority order. Priorities were based on the following:

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Based on the criteria, the following table shows the monuments in priority order for planning purposes, including the monument name, current planning status, the relevant recommendations identified in the Secretary's 12/5/17 Final Report, and options to address the recommendations.

BLM National Monument Priority List					
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